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**Response Due Date:**  
**January 18, 2005**

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Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/04-9/30/04)

Dear Mr. Deger:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Your report contains incorrect Column B figures for Lines 6(a), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c), 11(a)(iii), 11(b), 11(c), 11(e), 16, 17, 18, and 22 of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page information. When aggregating and reporting receipts and disbursements, candidate committees are required to disclose their activity on an election-cycle basis, from 11/6/02 to 11/2/04. Please amend your report to show election cycle-to-date figures for all aggregate amounts. (2 U.S.C. §434(b))

-Commission Regulations define the term "purpose" to mean a brief statement or description of why a disbursement was made. Examples are "dinner expense", "media", "salary", "polling", "travel", "party fees", "phone banks", "travel expenses", "travel expense reimbursement" and "catering costs". Examples of election day and voter registration activity include "exit polling", "door-to-door get out the vote", "get out the vote phone calls" and "driving voters to the polls". Unacceptable descriptions, which require additional clarification, include but are not limited to "advance", "consultant", "commission", "contract labor", "retainer", "election day expense", "expenses", "invoice", "support", "expense reimbursement", "miscellaneous", "professional services",